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SUBJECT: ANGUILLA - ST. KITTS - NEVIS DISCUSSIONS:
DOG ISLAND

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1. DUFF OF FCO REPORTS THAT UK OFFICIALS DISCUSSED DOG ISLAND WITH WEBSTER OF ANGUILLA DURING MEETINGS MAY 21 - 22. MAIN OUTCOME OF THIS ASPECT OF TALKS WAS THAT WEBSTER ACCEPTED THE POINT THAT THE DOG ISLAND PROPOSAL WOULD ONLY OCCUR AS A RESULT OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UK AND U.S.; THAT ANGUILLAN ACTION IN DISCUSSING LEASES WITH PUERTO RICANS PUSHES ISSUE "FURTHER AND FURTHER INTO THE WOOD" WHERE ALL HOPE FOR THE PROJECT WILL BE LOST.

2. AS A RESULT OF WEBSTER TALKS UK THINKING HAS ADVANCED. FCO NOW REQUESTS A SPECIFIC PROPOSAL FROM THE U.S. ON PRECISELY WHAT THE TERMS OF AID TO ANGUILLA WILL BE IN EXCHANGE FOR U.S. RIGHTS TO DOG ISLAND. THE UK WOULD LIKE TO KNOW PRECISELY WHAT MATERIAL RESOURCES WILL BE PROVIDED TO ANGUILLA AND THE PERIOD DURING WHICH THE RESOURCES WILL BE PROVIDED. THE UK WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO TELL THE ANGUILLAN COUNCIL WHAT THE LATTER CAN
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EXPECT TO GET OUT OF AN AGREEMENT. THE UK WOULD ALSO

USE THE INFORMATION AS IT DEVELOPS ITS OWN FURTHER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR ANGUILLA. DUFF SAID FCO WILL NOT PUT TO MINISTERS U.S. REQUEST FOR FEASIBILITY STUDY UNTIL THEY HAVE THE INFORMATION REQUESTED IN THIS PARAGRAPH. UK EMBASSY, WASHINGTON, WILL BE MAKING A FORMAL REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT ON THIS POINT IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE.

3. DUFF ALSO NOTED THAT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (PARA. 5, REF. B) STILL HAS NOT BEEN RECEIVED BY UK. HE SAID HMG WOULD HAVE LIKED TO HAVE GIVEN THE STATEMENT TO WEBSTER DURING MAY 21 - 22 TALKS. SUBMISSION TO MINISTERS OF U.S. PROPOSAL FOR FEASIBILITY STUDY IS ALSO BEING HELD UP BY DELAY IN RECEIPT OF IMPACT OF ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT. WE WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE ON THIS POINT. IF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT IS NOT SCHEDULED TO BE READY IN NEAR FUTURE WE SHOULD SO INFORM BRITISH.

4. AMBASSADOR RAISED QUESTION OF DOG ISLAND WITH FOREIGN SECRETARY CALLAGHAN ON MAY 19. AMBASSADOR STRESSED HIS OWN LONG-TERM INTEREST IN SOLUTION OF CULEBRA PROBLEM. CALLAGHAN WAS NOT FULLY BRIEFED ON ISSUE ALTHOUGH HE COMMENTED SYMPATHETICALLY ON AMBASSADOR'S PRESENTATION.

5. FCO HAS NOW PRESENTED US WITH THEIR VERSION OF MINUTES OF APRIL 16 MEETING IN SIR DUNCAN WATSON'S OFFICE. FCO REQUESTS THAT WE INFORM THEM WHETHER U.S. AGREES MINUTES REPRESENT AN ACCURATE ACCOUNT. IF NOT FCO WOULD WELCOME ANY U.S. COMMENTS. MINUTES BEING POUCHED SEPARATELY.

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6. DUFF WAS UNABLE TO BRIEF US ON CONSTITUTIONAL ASPECTS OF WEBSTER TALKS. WE WILL FOLLOW-UP ON THIS ISSUE SOONEST.

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